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<u>VanderMeer Comments on Governor Signing Legislation Directing Additional</u> Investments to Rural Schools

(Madison) – Representative VanderMeer (R-Tomah) released the following statement in response to Governor Walker signing Assembly Bill 835, a bill that directs additional resources to rural school districts, on Monday:

"I'm very happy that the Governor has signed this legislation directing additional resources to rural schools. This legislation makes additional investments on top of the historically high amount of investment that was made in this session's state budget to K-12 schools.

"The largest impact locally will be in the form of raising the low-revenue adjustment for the Sparta and Tomah Area School Districts. This is important because it helps to address some of the inequities that exist in the current school funding formula. Again, I'm very happy we were able to get this done."

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The 70th Assembly District includes portions of Monroe, Jackson, Portage and Wood counties.